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AND VACCINES

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action which was mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 22, 2006, and to the Advisory Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 10, 2006. A Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 CFR §1.114 is being filed concurrently with this amendment. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.